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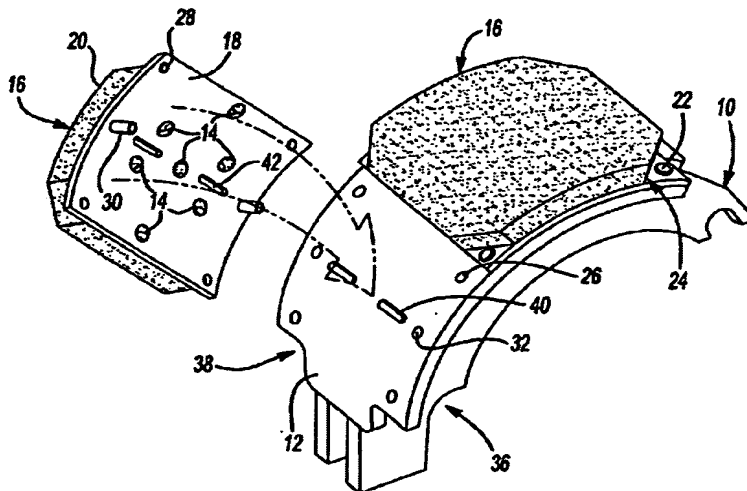
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(57) Abstract: A brake shoe assembly comprising a brake shoe to which brake plates are assembled. The brake shoe and brake plates are connected by a key or tang in one to a key way or slot in the other. Preambled fasteners are provided on the brake plates to facilitate alignment of the brake plates with the brake shoe so that the key is received in the slot. Fasteners may be provided in four open corner areas so that the brake plate may be secured to the brake shoe with metal-to-metal contact where the brake plate is secured to the brake shoe. A brake shoe having a cylindrical outer surface or an outer surface defined by a plurality of flats is provided.

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